COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, JANUARY 3, 2007

APPLICATION OF

DUKENET COMMUNICATIONS, LLC

CASE NO. PUC-2006-00157

For a certificate of public convenience and necessity to provide interexchange telecommunications services

ORDER FOR NOTICE AND COMMENT

On December 18, 2006, DukeNet Communications, LLC ("DukeNet" or "Applicant"), completed an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity ("certificate") with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") to provide interexchange telecommunications services throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia. The Applicant also requested authority to price its interexchange telecommunications services on a competitive basis pursuant to § 56-481.1 of the Code of Virginia.

NOW UPON CONSIDERATION of the application, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that DukeNet's application should be docketed; that the Applicant should give notice to the public of its application; that interested persons should have an opportunity to comment and request a hearing on DukeNet's application; and that the Commission Staff should conduct an investigation into the reasonableness of the application and present its findings in a Staff Report.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (1) This case is docketed and assigned Case No. PUC-2006-00157.
- (2) On or before January 31, 2007, the Applicant shall complete publication of the following notice to be published on one (1) occasion as classified advertising in newspapers having general circulation throughout the Applicant's proposed service territory:

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF AN APPLICATION BY DUKENET COMMUNICATIONS, LLC, FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO PROVIDE INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES THROUGHOUT THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA CASE NO. PUC-2006-00157

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Copies of the application are available for public inspection between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, in the Commission's Document Control Center located on the first floor of the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia. Copies may also be downloaded from the Commission's website: http://www.scc.virginia.gov/caseinfo.htm, or may be ordered from DukeNet's counsel, William S. Fultz, Esquire, Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP, 150 Fayetteville Street, Suite 1400, P.O. Box 389, Raleigh, North Carolina 27602.

On or before February 21, 2007, any person desiring to comment on DukeNet's application for a certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications services may do so by directing such comments in writing to the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth below. Interested persons desiring to submit comments electronically may do so by following the instructions found on the Commission's website: http://www.scc.virginia.gov/caseinfo.htm. A hard copy of the comments, whether submitted in writing or electronically, shall be simultaneously served upon DukeNet's counsel at the address set forth above.

Any person may request a hearing on DukeNet's application by filing an original and fifteen (15) copies of its request for hearing on or before February 21, 2007, with the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth below. Requests for hearing must include: (i) a precise statement of the interest of the filing party; (ii) a statement of the specific action sought to the extent then known; (iii) a statement of the legal basis for such action; and (iv) a precise statement why a hearing should be conducted in the matter. Persons filing a request for hearing shall

serve a copy of their request on or before February 21, 2007, upon DukeNet's counsel at the address set forth above.

All written communications to the Commission concerning DukeNet's application shall be directed to Joel H. Peck, Clerk of the State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218, and shall refer to Case No. PUC-2006-00157.

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- (3) On or before January 31, 2007, the Applicant shall provide a copy of the notice contained in Ordering Paragraph (2) to each local exchange telephone carrier certificated in Virginia and each interexchange carrier certificated in Virginia by personal delivery or first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the customary place of business. Lists of all current local exchange and interexchange carriers in Virginia are attached to this Order as Appendices A and B, respectively.
- (4) Any person desiring to comment on DukeNet's application for a certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications services may do so by directing such comments in writing on or before February 21, 2006, to Joel H. Peck, Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218. Interested persons desiring to submit comments electronically may do so by following the instructions found on the Commission's website: http://www.scc.virginia.gov/caseinfo.htm. A hard copy of such comments, whether submitted in writing or electronically, shall be simultaneously served upon DukeNet's counsel, William S. Fultz, Esquire, Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP, 150 Fayetteville Street, Suite 1400, P.O. Box 389, Raleigh, North Carolina 27602. Comments must refer to Case No. PUC-2006-00157.
- (5) On or before February 21, 2007, any person wishing to request a hearing on DukeNet's application for a certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications services

shall file an original and fifteen (15) copies of its request for hearing in writing with the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth above. Written requests for hearing shall refer to Case No. PUC-2006-00157 and shall include: (i) a precise statement of the interest of the filing party; (ii) a statement of the specific action sought to the extent then known; (iii) a statement of the legal basis for such action; and (iv) a precise statement why a hearing should be conducted in the matter. A copy shall also simultaneously be served on the Applicant at the address set forth above.

- (6) On or before February 7, 2007, the Applicant shall file with the Commission proof of notice and proof of service as ordered herein.
- (7) The Commission Staff shall analyze the reasonableness of DukeNet's application and present its findings in a Staff Report to be filed on or before March 14, 2007.
- (8) On or before March 28, 2007, the Applicant shall file with the Clerk of the Commission an original and fifteen (15) copies of any responses to the Staff Report or comments and requests for hearing filed with the Commission. A copy of the response shall be delivered by overnight delivery to Staff and any other persons who filed comments or requests for hearing.
- (9) The Applicant shall respond to written interrogatories or data requests within seven (7) days after the receipt of the same. Persons who filed requests for hearing shall provide to the Applicant, the Commission Staff, and any other persons who filed requests for hearing any workpapers or documents used in preparation of their requests for hearing, promptly upon request. Except as so modified, discovery shall be in accordance with Part IV of the Rules.
- (10) The Applicant shall respond promptly to requests from interested persons for copies of the application and shall provide one copy free of charge. Copies are also available for public inspection between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, in the

Commission's Document Control Center located on the first floor of the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia, or may be downloaded from the Commission's website: http://www.scc.virginia.gov/caseinfo.htm.

(11) This matter is continued generally.

AN ATTESTED COPY hereof shall be sent by the Clerk of the Commission to:

William S. Fultz, Esquire, Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP, 150 Fayetteville Street,

Suite 1400, P.O. Box 389, Raleigh, North Carolina 27602; C. Meade Browder, Jr., Senior

Assistant Attorney General, Division of Consumer Counsel, Office of Attorney General,

900 East Main Street, Second Floor, Richmond, Virginia 23219; and the Commission's Office of

General Counsel and Divisions of Communications, Public Utility Accounting, and Economics

and Finance.